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In re Application of
Guanghai Zhang
Application No. 09/580,884
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Attorney Docket No. 2373

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ON PETITION

This is a decision on the "PETITION FOR REVIVAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR PATENT ABANDONED UNINTENTIONALLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.137(b)", filed May 20, 2004.

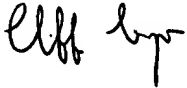
The petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to timely file a reply to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, mailed May 14, 2001, which set an extendable period for reply of one month. This notice indicated that an amendment filed on May 7, 2001 was non-compliant because it was not submitted in the format required by 37 CFR 1.121 (the amendment did not include a marked up version of the amended claims). No extensions of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) were obtained. Accordingly, no reply to the Notice of Non Compliant Amendment having been received, the above-identified application became abandoned on June 15, 2001. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on January 29, 2003. Applicant filed a petition to revive under 37 CFR 1.137(a) on December 2, 2003. However, this petition was dismissed in a decision mailed on December 17, 2003.

With the instant petition, applicant paid the petition fee, made the proper statement of unintentional delay, and submitted the required reply in the form of an amendment containing a marked up version of the amended claim.

The application file is being forwarded to Group Art Unit 1714 for consideration of the amendment filed May 20, 2004.

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